

That's Crazy Week 1

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WHAT COMES TO MIND WHEN YOU HEAR THE PHRASE THAT'S CRAZY? OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS IF YOU SEE SOMETHING CRAZY...SEND IT! JUSTIN@THESIMPLECHURCH.TV

SO HERE'S THE PROBLEM ...WHEN SOMEONE SAYS THAT'S CRAZY, ANOTHER TRANSLATION IS: YOU'RE DUMB! OR THAT'S... "S" WORD! STUPID!

THE BIBLE IS FULL OF "THAT'S CRAZY/STUPID" MOMENTS TOO... SOME WE COULD ACTUALLY LEARN FROM:

2 Samuel 23:20 GNT Benaiah...once went down into a pit on a snowy day and killed a lion.

GO AHEAD AND SAY IT...THAT'S CRAZY...OR STUPID!

GUYS, WE ARE NOT TALKING DEER HUNTING...

SERIOUSLY...WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU SAW A LION? LET ME ANSWER FOR YOU: RUN!

MY BOY BEN...WHAT DID HE DO?

2 Samuel 23:20 NLT Benaiah...on a snowy day, he chased a lion down into a pit and killed it.

EVER TRIED TO WALK IN SNOW/ICE...SLIPPING? HE RAN CHASING A LION NO ESCAPE! GOOD FOR HIM...I'M NOT CHASING A LION! OK, BUT IS SOMETHING CHASING YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU SCARED OF OR WORRIED ABOUT?

1 Peter 5:7 NLT Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.

THAT'S GOOD...NOW FOR THE REST OF THE VERSE...

1 Peter 5:8-9 NLT Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith.

WHEN WE FACE OUR WORRIES/FEARS...WE WANT TO RUN: THE CHALLENGE IS TO STAND FIRM! TO BE STRONG!

IF I'VE LEARNED ANYTHING...IT'S THIS:DEFINING MOMENTS ARE OFTEN THE SCARIEST!

GOD'S PLAN IS TO TURN YOUR FEAR INTO FAITH; YOU HAVE TO CHASE IT, RUN AFTER IT, GET IT IN THE PIT AND KILL THE FEAR!

BUT JUSTIN, I'M SLIPPING! FEEL LIKE YOU'RE IN A PIT TODAY, LIKE YOU'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE IT? DO YOU HAVE A FEAR OF FAILURE?

Matthew 14:26-27 NLT When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, "It's a ghost!" But Jesus spoke to them... "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"

WHERE JESUS IS, THERE IS NO FEAR!

Mark 5:35 NLT They told him, "Your daughter is dead. There's no use troubling Jesus now."

EVER FEEL LIKE YOU ARE TROUBLING JESUS?

Mark 5:36 NLT But Jesus overheard them and said... "Don't be afraid. Just have faith." JESUS KNOWS US: ANYTYPE OF DEATH = FEAR!

Mark 5:39-40 NLT He went inside and asked, "Why all this commotion and weeping? The child isn't dead; she's only asleep. The crowd laughed at him. But he made them all leave, and he took the girl's father and mother and his three disciples into the room where the girl was lying.

BE CAREFUL WHO YOU RUN WITH, DO THEY HAVE FAITH OR NO FAITH? JESUS CHASES THE LION!

Mark 5:41-43 NLT Holding her hand, he said to her... "Little girl, get up!" And the girl immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and totally amazed.

JESUS BROUTH HER FROM DEATH TO LIFE!

James 4:7 EEB So obey God... Be strong against the Devil and he will run away from you.

WE CAN'T LET MENTAL/PHYSICAL/SPIRITUAL/EMOTIONAL LIONS KEEP US FROM EXPERIENCING EVERYTHING GOD HAS TO OFFER!

Isaiah 41:10 LB Fear not, for I am with you. Do not be worried. I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.